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DEPT FOR D/LOS-MR. STEVENSON

- 1. PIETER KOOIJMANS, STATE SECRETARY FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS, HAS JUST ADVISED US HE WILL LEAVE SUNDAY, JANUARY 26, FOR PARAMARIBO IN PLACE OF STATE SECRETARY BRINKHORST, WHO WAS ORIGINALLY SCHEDULED TO ACCOMPANY MINISTER PRONK TO SURINAM. THE CHANGE WAS MADE BECAUSE FONMIN VAN DER STOEL WANTED BRINKHORST TO PARTICIPATE IN NEXT WEEK'S EC DIALOGUE WITH AFRICAN COUNTRIES.
- 2. ON THURSDAY, JANUARY 30, KOOIJMANS WILL FLY TO NEW YORK WHERE HE IS BEING MET BY DUTCH CONSUL AND NEEDS NO FURTHER ASSISTANCE. ON FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 1, HE WILL ADDRESS LOS CONFERENCE AT BOSTON SHERATON SPONSORED BY AMERICAN SOCIETY OF INTERNATIONAL LAW.
- 3. MINISTER PRONK PLANS TO LEAVE SURINAM ON SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 2, TO RETURN TO THE NETHERLANDS.
- 4. BIO ON KOOIJMANS: KOOIJMANS HAS BEEN STATE SECRETARY SINCE 1973. HE STUDIED LAW AT THE FREE UNIVERSITY OF AMSTERDAM AND RECEIVED HIS DOCTORATE IN 1963 FOR A THESIS ON "EQUALITY OF STATES." HE WAS NAMED A PROCONFIDENTIAL

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FESSOR AT THE FREE UNIVERSITY IN 1964 AND HAS TAUGHT

COURSES IN INTERNATIONAL LAW AND THE LAW OF THE EUROPEAN COMMUNITIES. KOOIJMANS WAS VICE CHAIRMAN OF THE ANTI-REVOLUTIONARY PARTY (PROTESTANT) FROM 1967 TO 1971. HE HAS SERVED IN A GOVERNMENTAL ADVISORY COMMITTEE ON DISARMAMENT AND IS A MEMBER OF THE BOARD OF THE NETHERLANDS INSTITUTE FOR PEACE QUESTIONS. THE EMBASSY HAS HAD CORDIAL, COOPERATIVE RELATIONS WITH HIM AND WE CONSIDER HIM A GOOD FRIEND OF THE UNITED STATES DESPITE OCCASIONAL POLICY DIFFERENCES ON UN AND THIRD WORLD ISSUES.

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